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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.

In re application of: Confirmation No.: 7357

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Sir:

On January 5, 2007, a final Office action was mailed, setting a variable

reply period. The Office action indicated that claims 7-9 and 13 are allowed.

On March 5, 2007, a first response was filed. All but claims 7-9 and 13 were canceled, claims 7-9 and 13 were retained. Allowed claims 7-9 and 13 remain pending.

No further communication has been received from the PTO since the March 5 response.

Based According to MPEP 706.07(f) part I, it is understood that the application should be processed as an allowance and no extension fees are due.

Respectfully submitted.

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